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DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed under 37 CFR 1.137(b) in the above-identified application filed on November 16, 1999 and supplemented on November 22, 1999.

The petition is **DISMISSED AS MOOT.**

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the non-final Office action mailed June 3, 1998, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. An extension of time under the provision of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) was not filed timely. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on September 4, 1998. A Notice of abandonment was mailed on November 5, 1999.

A review of the record shows that a decision was rendered for the above petition on July 21, 1999. It appears that duplicate petitions (of the January 19, 1999 petition) dated November 16, 1999 and November 22, 1999 have been included in the record. The Notice of Abandonment mailed on November 5, 1999 references failure to reply to the June 3, 1998 non-final Office action. The Notice of Abandonment was mailed after the application had already been reinstated with the July 21, 1999 decision. Applicant timely responded to the August 26, 1999 final Office action with the amendment submitted on November 16, 1999. Accordingly, the petition is dismissed as moot.

This application is being referred to the files repository.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3215.

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